



Dedicated to New Testament Spirituality

MUTARE SCHOOL OF PREACHING

Church of Christ

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved” (II Tim. 2:15)

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Narrative Report for August & September

2024

1.0 Introduction

There are things to fear in life, some of these things are very serious while others not. There is a vast difference between things men usually fear and what God tells us to fear. Things men fear are usually of their own making, which then would not have to fear if they trusted God. However, Jesus told us what to fear, when he spoke to his disciples (Luke 12:1-3) his friends (v 4-12) and many others. One of these things is hypocrisy (v 1-3) religionist, religious form. It is a call to proclaim the truth and live in the truth.

2.0 Operating Environment

Zimbabwe in April replaced its local currency with the ZiG, which means Zimbabwe Gold. The government is working so that this currency get support and confidence from the transacting public and industry. The ZiG currency cannot be used or traded outside the country and the multi-currency system continue to work in Zimbabwe. Late September, the ZiG was devalued resulting in the erosion of incomes and increased commodity prices. We continue to suffer from the effects of drought and famine, with many families going without food. We ask for prayers, willing hearts and God's intervention during such difficult times.



3.0 Third Term School Opening

The school opened for its third term on September 10th, 2024 and will run until November 30, 2024 marking the end of year. The class population is as follows: First year class has 9 students second years 8 and third year class 8 giving us a total of 25. Our students managed to return for their final term for the year. The student's results for the past term were released and had a 98% pass rate.



Remember our graduates as they joined the rest of the foot soldiers for Christ in the trenches.

4.0 August Holiday Lectureships

During the month of August, every year the school closes for a one month break to give our students and staff opportunities to attend and participate the National lectureships taking place. This year in August, saw Youth lectureship, Women's lectureship and Men's lectureship taking place. Our students participated in these lectureships to learn and gain experience. The Men's Lectureship was hosted by the school from August 29th to September 1st, our students participated in preparations while our lecturers participated in the teaching and preaching, which was running under the theme: The Christian Journey.



The men who attended the lectureship hosted at MSOP. They made evangelism groups and visited the Dangamvura neighborhood with gospel. The men distributed gospel literature.



The men in their groups discussing the strategies of reaching out and selecting team leaders for the one- day door-knocking and house-to-house evangelism. One soul was added to the Lord because of this effort.

5.0 Below is the third term schedule:

Course: 1 st Years	Teacher	Course: 2 nd Years	Teacher
Preacher's Life, Work & Spirituality	N.Marunga	O.T. Poetry & Wisdom Literature	R.Gushakusha
Pastoral Epistles	R.Gushakusha	Christian Apologetics	R.Gushakusha
Sacrificial System	T.Tanhera	Revelation	T.Tanhera
Evangelism & Church Planting	R.Gushakusha	Pastoral Care & Counselling	R.Gushakusha
Prison Epistles	R.Gushakusha	Homiletics 2	T.Tanhera
Church Leadership	N.Marunga	Systematic Theology	R.Gushakusha
Christian Education	T.Tanhera	Hebrews	T.Tanhera
How We Got the Bible	R.Gushakusha	Phenomenology of Religion	T.Tanhera
Greek	O.Marange	Hebrew	O.Marange
Life Skills	Visitor	Life Skills	Visitor

6.0 Intake for 2024 class

The year 2025 intake interviews are in progress, so far 15 prospective students have been accepted and we hope they will all make it for the training in January 2025, let us keep them in our prayers as we seek to increase the workers in the kingdom of our Lord. Great

appreciation goes to Sunset Matching scholarship of USD\$8000 per year and the Loy Mitchell Scholarship fund which has allowed us to enroll international students.

7.0 Additional Student Exist Skills

In an effort to produce graduates with a variety of exist skills the school has partnered a vocational college to offer skills to our students in décor and welding. All these will enhance equipping our students with life skills which help impact in the Lord's work.

8.0 Hubert Collier Consulting Matching Call for Technology Improvements

Following his visit Hubert and Aaron Collier were touched by the poor state of our computer laboratory and Wi-Fi connectivity for the whole campus and pledged a ***matching challenge of US\$3000 towards improving connectivity and new technology*** in the school that will enable to access online classes and materials. I am therefore inviting you to help meet this challenge. Feel free to contact us for further details or send your check to Hillcrest church of Christ.

9.0 Open Garden and Greenhouse Activities

Horticulture skills are an integral component of our training exposing our students to have hands on experience by working in our open garden and green house. This has helped to meet our vegetable needs while the excess is sold to get some needed cash.



Zondai Mazenza (2005 class) joined MSOP for his internship on agriculture. His impact and contribution has greatly helped to shape our gardens, the greenhouse and open field. The greenhouse is currently under cabbages, tsunga and cucumbers.

10.0 Re-Launch of Fish Project

Efforts to commence the project have started focusing on the small on (10X10m) pond and shall put fingerlings anytime in October, 2024 particularly the egg laying fish. Once these have started hatching and increasing they will feed into the bigger ponds and help the community to do such projects at a small scale to enhance nutrition.



The small fish pond is now ready for the fingerlings, training was offered to both students and staff on how to manage and viably run the fish business.

11.0 Literature Evangelism: Tongogara Refugee Camp, Zimbabwe

In an effort to reach out with the gospel, the marginalized and neglected persons through literature evangelism, our first year student from the refugee camp (Job Kutura Mutavuka) with help of the school took it upon himself to fulfil this commission.

Job was able to distribute 600 books (French church of the Bible); enrolled and distributed 250 lessons for the Swahili God Has Spoken lessons; and 150 WBS lessons. During the Men's lectureship, Job was able to bring one prospective student from the camp, a move well appreciated. The school is making a serious follow up on this initiative until a congregation is planted in this settlement.



A visit was done to the Refugee camp and distributed gospel literature which was warmly accepted by the team. Next are members of the camp with Swahili lessons. Job has gone through lessons himself and he will do the grading and give us feedback on the basic responses and needs of the students in Swahili language. We have also extended this to the French speaking refugees to reach them out with the gospel while in the camp.



During his school holiday, Job took his time and effort to distribute gospel literature and enrol students to study God's work in Swahili (God Has Spoken).



The Swahili lessons and WBS enrolment were printed at the school and Job had a big consignment to take the Refugee camp for distribution to all and we collectively make follow ups on this initiative by the school.

12.0 Matching Challenge Call for 2025 Learning Year

Sunset International Bible Institute, through the Dean of International Studies (Doug Reeves) came in a big way to help the school by providing student scholarships through a “Matching Challenge”. Paying tuition fees is one way to support our operational budget, however, because of our difficult socio economic difficulties, poverty and drought our students find it difficult to attend school to be trained as preachers of the gospel. This move by Sunset International Bible Institute to launch call for a matching challenge starting 2024 has helped increase our enrolment for the class of 2024. Sunset International Bible Institute will match donations up to USD\$8 000.00 each year for next three years providing scholarships for approximately ten students. The school is calling for 2025 matching donations and these can be sent to:

You can give, mail or check out to: Sunset International Bible Institute 3723 34th ST. Lubbock, TX 79410 or Hillcrest Church of Christ 650 East Ambler Avenue, Abilene TX

79601 phone: 325-691-4200 for: Mutare School of Preaching Scholarship Zimbabwe. Thank you for partnering with us to evangelize the world.

13.0 Appreciation for Financial and Material Donations

We are so thankful to all our sponsors and supporters both local and foreign for the financial and material support towards the school. Your prayers and encouragement brought us thus far. However, we continue to lobby with all local individuals and congregations to double their efforts to meet the school needs. If we all get involved in this work it will become easier. If you have any question concerning the school please feel free to contact us on the details below:

Material Donations

PACT Missionaries - 100kg maize/corn and Microsoft 365 Family Por

Men's Lectureship 2024 - 25kg rice; 8kg sugar; 6lit cooking oil; 20kg upfu; 10kg tomatoes; 3 bottles peanut butter.

Mutare Ladies Fellowship - 25kg rice

14.0 Banking Details

To get a tax cut from our USA partners, choose to give to Hillcrest church of Christ, 650 E Ambler Ave, Abilene, TX 79601 designated to other with a note: Mutare School of Preaching.

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